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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: **Shogo ISHIOKA et al.**

Group Art Unit: **3627**

Serial Number: **10/030,125**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated October 6, 2005.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group I (claim 1-13, 15-22, and 24-31) and Group II (claims 14, 23, and 32). Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-13, 15-22, and 24-31).

The Action also requires an election of species between Group 1A (claims 1-10, 18, 19, 27 and 28) and Group 1B (claims 11-13, 20-22, 29-31 and 26), Group 1C (claims 15, 24 and 33), Group 1D (claims 16, 25, and 34), Group 1E (claims 17, 26, and 35) and Group 1F (claims 37 and 38). Applicants hereby elect the species of Group 1A (claims 1-10, 18, 19, 27 and 28).

This election is made without traverse, and it is understood that Applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121 are retained.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,
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